(e) the projection made by NALCO in Aluminium and Alumina production by 2000 AD;

(f) number of proposal received from foreign collaboration in Alumina sector; and

(g) the name of sites identified for the same ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINISTER OF MINES (SHRI BIRENDRA PRASAD BAISHYA) : (a) and (b) The production of Alumina and Aluminium by the primary producers of Aluminium during the years 1994-95, 1995-96 and 1996-97 is as under :

(Figure in Tonnes)

	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	Apr.-Sept.97
Alumina	1531438	1631571	1420535	842998
(Except Madras Aluminium Company Limited)				
Aluminium	477801	529264	520100	268439

(c) and (d) The installed capacity for production of aluminium of the five primary producers is 6,82,000 Tonnes: 3,30,000 tonnes capacity is in the public Sector and 3,52,000 Tonnes is in the private sector. The primary producers in the country take their decisions in respect of production of aluminium based on their commercial judgement. Besides, Aluminium metal and articles thereof are under open General Licence (OGL) as per the extant Export-Import Policy. Each individual is free to import aluminium based upon one's commercial judgement, which may vary from year to year, if their needs are not met by indigenous production.

(e) The projected production by NALCO for Alumina and Aluminium by 2000 AD is as under :

	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000
Alumina	8,00,000	8,00,000	8,00,000*
Aluminium	2,18,000	2,18,000	2,30,000

(*The installed capacity of Alumina Refinery is slated to increase to 10,50,000 Tonnes per Annum by December 1999).

(f) and (g) The Foreign Investment promotion Board has approved investment pattern of the following proposal for investment in aluminium sector:

Name of Company	Proposed collaborating Company	Activities
Kandula Aluminium Co. Ltd., Hyderabad	Australian Capital & Technologies Pvt. Ltd.Australia (Foreign Equity 53.43%)	Calcined Alumina in Visakhapatnam Distt. Andhra Pradesh.
Gujarat Alkalies & chemicals Ltd.	Raytheon Engineers & Construction Inc USA (Foreign equity 17%)	Manufacture of alumina calcined, fused alumina, power in Distt.Kutch,Gujrat.
Gurjarat Aluminium & Bauxite Ltd.	Raytheon Engineers Constructions Inc.USA(Foreign equity 50%)	Manufacture of alumina, aluminium compounds, metal coke, power etc. in Distt.Kutch,Gujarat.
Oxide India Pvt.	VAM Ltd.U.K.(NRI13.81%)	Manufacture of high & low alumina purity bed support, activated alumina catalyst career in Distt.Burdwan, W.B.
Larsen & Tubro Ltd.	To be identified(20%)	Alumina in Orissa

M/s Indian Aluminium Co. Ltd. (INDAL) have also been given permission by the Government for setting up 100% EOU 1 million Tonne Alumina Plant in Orissa. Letter of Intent envisaged that INDAL'S project may have foreign collaboration involving 25% of foreign equity participation under a separate FC approval.

Lahoti Committe Report

226. SHRI SANAT MEHTA : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry has acepted the recommendation of the Lahoti Committee report;

(b) if so , the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government propose to conduct a feasibility study; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI

JAYANTHI NATRAJAN) : (a) to (d) The recommendations of the Lahoti Committee are under consideration.

[Translation]

Employment on Compensation Ground

227. SHRIMATI KETAKI DEVI SINGH : Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether dependents of deceased employees of CPWD and NDMC are provided employment on Compensation Ground; and

(b) if so, the rules and procedures for such appointments?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATARAMAN) : (a) and (b) Appointment of dependents of deceased Government employees of CPWD and NDMC is done as per the instruction issued by the Department of Personnel and Training from time to time. A copy of the instructions issued by the Government on the subject is enclosed as Statement.

Statement

Copy of the O.M. No.14014/686-Estt.(D) dated 30th June,1987 of the Ministry of Personnel, P.G & Pensions (Department of personnel & Traning) , regarding Compassionate appointment of son/daughter/near relative of deceased Government servant-Consolidated Instructions.

The undersigned is directed to say that instruction have been issued by this Department from time to time laying down the principles to be followed in making compassionate appointments of son/daughter/near relatives of deceased Government servants/. For facility of reference, the order issued on the subject have been simplified and consolidated in this Office Memorandum.

1. TO WHOM APPLICABLE :

   (a) To a son or daughter or near relatives of the Government servant who dies in harness including death by suicide leaving his family in immediate need of asistance, when there is no other earning member in the famaily.

   (b) In exceptional cases when a Department is saitisfied that the condition of the family is indigent and is in great distress, the benefit of compassionate appointment may be extended to a son/daughter/near relative of a Government servant retired on medical grounds under Rule 38 of Central Civil Services (Pension) Rules,1972, or corresponding provisions in the Central Civil Services Regulations before attaining the age of 55 years. In case of Group 'D' employees whose normal age of superannuation is 60 years, compassionate appointment may be considered where they are retired on medical ground before attaining the age of 57 years.

   (c) To a son or dauaghter or near relative of a Government servant who dies during the period of extension in service but not re-employment.

2. AUTHORITY COMPETENT TO MAKE COMPASSIONATE APPOINTMENTS:

   (a) Joint Secretary Incharge of Administration or Secreatry in the Ministry/Department concerned.

   (b) In the case of attached and subordinate offices, such power may be excerised by the Head of the Department under Supplementary Rule 2(10).

3. POSTS TO WHICH SUCH APPOINTMENTS CAN BE MADE:

   Group "C" post or a Group 'D' post.

4. ELIGIBILITY :

   (a) Compassionate appointments can be made only against direct recruitment quota.

   (b) Applicant for compassionate appointment should be appointed only if they are eligible and suitable for the post in all respect under the provisions of the relevant Recruitment Rules.

   (c) Departments are, however, competent to relax temporarily educational qualifications in the case of appointments at the lowest level i.e. Group 'D' or LDC post, in exceptional circumstances where the condition of the family is very hard. Such relocation will be permitted upto a period of two years beyond which no relaxation of educational qualifications will be admissible and services of the persons concerned if still unqualified, are liable to be terminated.

   (d) Where a widow is appointed on compassionate ground to a Group 'D' post, she will be exempted from the requirements of educational qualifications, provided the duties of the post can be satisfactorily performed without having the educational qualification of Middle standard perscribed in the Recruitment Rules.

   (e) In deserving cases even where there is an earning member in the family, a son/daughter/near relative of the deceased Government servant, leaving his family in distress may be considered for appointment, with the prior approval of the Secretary of the Department concerned who